

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of: :
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For: CONTROL SYSTEM FOR CHARGING BATTERIES AND ELECTRONIC
APPARATUS USING SAME

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2000, having a response due December 19, 2000. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee is being submitted herewith, thereby extending the due date for response to March 19, 2001.

The following amendments, remarks and reconsideration are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the following claims:

8. (AMENDED) A system for controlling as set forth in claim 4,
wherein said controller controls the power supplied from
the external power source to the rechargeable batteries by determining if any of
the [detector] detectors detects a negative difference thus indicating that a current or a voltage